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STATE VISIT FOR SHAIKH ZAYID

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1. AT AN EVENING MEETING IN AL AIN ON APRIL 17 WITH UAE PRE-
SIDENT SHAIKH ZAYID, I DELIVERED TO HIM ORIGINAL OF PRESIDENT
CARTER'S LETTER OF MARCH 15 REGRETTING THE NECESSITY OF POSTPONING
ZAYID'S STATE VISIT TO U.S. I MENTIONED NUMBER OF DEVELOPMENTS,
MANY OF WHICH WERE RELATED TO MIDDLE EAST, THAT HAD IMPINGED ON
PRESIDENT CARTER'S SCHEDULE THIS YEAR. ZAYID SAID HE UNDERSTOOD
WHY HIS VISIT THIS YEAR WOULD NOT BE CONVENIENT. WHEN I SAID
THAT I HOPED THAT THE VISIT COULD BE RESCHEDULED NEXT YEAR,
ZAYID'S REPLY WAS TO SAY INSHALLAH (GOD WILLING).

2. COMMENT: ZAYID TOOK POSTPONEMENT OF VISIT WELL. I HAD
IMPRESSION THAT IN LIGHT EVENTS OF LEBANON, HIS CONCERN OVER
ARAB DIVISIVENESS (BEING REPORTED SEPTTEL), AND CURRENT PROBLEMS
WITHIN FEDERATION, ZAYID TOO MAY HAVE FOUND SCHEDULING OF
VISIT THIS SUMMER INCONVENIENT.
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